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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I understand that proposed FFC actions will prevent the public from choosing a competitive internet provider. As a consumer who supports broadband competition, I ask you to reconsider. A few large companies should not hold a monopoly for this important service. My small internet provider offers service for communications, entertainment and home business operations at a competitive rate and we'd like to retain that choice. Broadband internet is a necessary part of American infrastructure today, for both business and consumers, and increasing prices is counterproductive for both segments.

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